

Application No. 10/661,925
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In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims:

1. (currently amended) A personal digital assistant, comprising:
 - a body having a display; and
 - a keyboard attached to the body, ~~the keyboard being divided into two separate sections~~ and being foldable between a closed position and an open position, wherein the keyboard provides a cover for the body in the closed position, ~~and functions as an alphanumeric keyboard to input data in the open position, and is divided into two mechanically separated sections in the open position.~~
2. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein each section of the keyboard has a size and shape similar to the body.
3. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein the sections are stacked on top of the body in the closed position.
4. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein the sections are pivotally connected to the body and rotationally move between the closed and open positions.
5. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein at least one of the sections covers the display in the closed position.
6. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein the keyboard covers a portion of the body in the closed position and unfolds to function as the alphanumeric keypad in the open position.
7. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein a first section is over a surface of the body and a second section is on top of the first section.

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8. (original) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein the keyboard does not add to the overall length or width of the body in the closed position.

9. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

covering at least a portion of a body of a personal digital assistant (PDA) with an attached keyboard while the keyboard is in a closed position;

moving the keyboard from the closed position to an open position by rotating two separated sections of the keyboard that are each pivotally connected to different portions of the body; and

typing on the keyboard to input data into the PDA.

10. (currently amended) The method of claim 9 wherein moving the keyboard further comprises unfolding the two separated sections of the keyboard.

11. (original) The method of claim 9 wherein moving the keyboard further comprises rotating the keyboard from a first position covering at least a portion of the body to a second position with two keyboard halves positioned side-by-side and below the body.

12. (currently amended) The method of claim 9 further comprising stacking the two sections of the keyboard in the closed position.

13. (original) The method of claim 12 further comprising unstacking the two sections in the open position.

14. (original) The method of claim 9 wherein moving the keyboard from the closed position to an open position further comprises rotating a first section of the keyboard in a clockwise direction and rotating a second section of the keyboard in a counterclockwise direction.

15. (currently amended) A portable computing device, comprising:

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a body having a display coupled to a processor and memory; and
an alphanumeric keyboard electrically and mechanically coupled to the body and including two separated sections that are pivotally connected to different portions of the body, wherein the keyboard provides a housing for at least a portion of the body in a closed position and is movable to an open position for typing data.

16. (currently amended) The portable computing device of claim 15 wherein the ~~keyboard comprises two separated sections and distinct halves that~~ are movable to vertically stack onto each other in the closed position.

17. (currently amended) The portable computing device of claim 15 wherein a first of the two sections is pivotally connected to a first corner of the body and a second of the two sections is pivotally connected to a second corner of the body, ~~the keyboard comprises two sections with a first section pivotally connected to a first corner of the body and a second section pivotally connected to a second corner of the body.~~

18. (original) The portable computing device of claim 15 further comprising a flexible member coupling the keyboard to the body.

19. (original) The portable computing device of claim 15 wherein the keyboard has touch-sensitive key areas for entering data.

20. (original) The portable computing device of claim 15 wherein the keyboards folds to a size approximately equal to a size of the body while in the closed position and while attached to the body.

21. (new) The personal digital assistant of claim 1 wherein the two sections comprise a first section pivotally connected to a first portion of the body, and a second section pivotally connected to a second, different portion of the body.